

Jews Make Up 12 PERCENT OF ARMY, IS SPEAKER'S CLAIM

The American Jew today is giving a splendid account of himself in the war. Official statistics of the War Department and figures from relief and welfare workers bear out the statement.

Speaking before a large gathering of soldiers, sailors and the congregation of the Adath Israel Temple, Sixth and I streets northwest, yesterday, H. R. Hartogensis of Baltimore, lauded the patriotic spirit of the American Jew, and read statistics substantiating his claim that the Jew is giving a good account of himself in the war against autocracy.

Regular army figures published in January, 1916, showed an enrollment of 64,144 men, including 374 Jews; also that in the navy there were 844 Jews, making a total of 7 per cent and over," said Mr. Hartogensis.

"A conservative estimate of the men now in service between 500,000 and 1,000,000, is that 10 or 12 per cent are Jews. Welfare and relief workers with ample opportunity for observation have given me these figures."

"Dr. Morris Spear, a tireless worker at Camp Meade, reports 8,000 Jews in a body of 40,000 men. I have learned that there are today in France 10,000 American Jewish soldiers."

"Other patriots are men of the Julius Rosenberg type, who give their high priced services as purchasing agents gratis, while Jacob Schiff and others have declared it sinful and unpatriotic to make a single cent of profit during the war," he concluded.

HOPES OF JEWS FOR HOME IN PALESTINE NOW NEAR REALIZATION, SAYS RABBI

The hopes of Jews of establishing a nation in Palestine, recaptured from Turkey by the British, today are nearer realization than ever, in the opinion of Rabbi Benjamin L. Grossman who spoke before a large congregation at Adath Israel Temple yesterday at celebration of the "Chanuka," or "The feast of the lights."

"The Zionist cause is nearest its realizations today," said Rabbi Grossman. "The real hope and prospective realization of our dreams is at hand. The Zionist anthem just sung will soon take its place among the songs of nations."

Dr. Grossman appealed to the Jews in Washington to see that their children received the proper Hebrew religious training, declaring that today this important item in the national Hebrew life of the children was being neglected.

The Holy Land victory will be celebrated by Washington Jews tomorrow night at Pythian Temple, when a public mass meeting under auspices of the Washington Zionist Society and the Jewish National Workers' Alliance.

\$85,000 STARTS \$1,000,000 FUND FOR PALESTINE

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.—Following a conference here yesterday to rejoice over the recapture of Palestine from the Turks, more than 200 leaders of the Zionist movement are leaving today for their homes to raise the initial \$1,000,000 of a fund of \$100,000,000 agreed on at the conference for restoring Palestine to the Jews.

Nathan Straus declared the conference "a historic gathering." It was the first concrete step of the Jews toward arranging for the reoccupation on practical lines of the Holy Land.

\$85,000 Quickly Raised. When the proposal was made to raise \$100,000,000 as an international Jewish fund, \$85,000 of the sum was subscribed in a few minutes. Associate Justice Louis D. Brandeis of the United States Supreme Court was present and offered congratulations.

A national finance committee to handle the "Palestine restoration fund" was named as follows: Eugene Meyer, Jr., New York city, chairman; Louis Robinson, New York, administrative chairman; Nathan Straus, vice chairman; E. W. Lewis-Epstein, treasurer, both of New York; and Henry Alsburg, of New York, secretary.

Hadassah Unit Ready. A cablegram from London announced that it would be possible for physicians, nurses, and a complete medical equipment to go to Palestine by the middle of January. This means that the American unit organized by Hadassah, the women's Zionist organization of America, will be ready to begin operations in Palestine almost immediately.

The conference rose as a token of respect to Mendele Mocher Sforim, the leading Yiddish writer of the world, whose death in Russia was announced yesterday, after a tribute to his memory had been made by Dr. Schmaria Levin.

One of the features of the morning session was an address by Dr. Schmaria Levin, a member of the inner actions committee—which is now regarded as the Zionist cabinet.

HILLIARD, OF ILLINOIS, WINS MERRICK MEDAL

Robert J. Hilliard, of Illinois, a senior at Georgetown University, is today the owner of the 1917 Merrick medal for debate, being the winner last night in the contest of the Philadelpia Society at Ganters Hall.

The debate on the question, "Resolved, That in time of war the Federal Government should have absolute control of the press regarding all matters relating to the war and the conduct thereof," was decided in favor of the negative.

The judges were Senator Bert M. Fernald, of Maine; Commissioner Gwynn W. Gardner and Dr. Henry S. Bostell, former minister to Switzerland.

The Georgetown Orchestra gave patriotic selections and members of the glee club sang.

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Editorial

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Lansburgh & Bro., Washington, D. C. Gentlemen: Inasmuch as I am not including an order, you, no doubt, wonder why I am writing. It is to express my appreciation of your Daily Editorials.

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I am associated with the largest and best business college in the East—100 students in attendance today. I am a teacher and other teachers, and many of them are used for dictation classes. Everybody is helped and we thank you.

I formerly taught in Washington, my home city. Yours truly, (Miss) E. GILLISS.



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Silk Lisle Hosiery 75c Black, white, beaver and tan; full fashioned and reinforced; finished with garter hem.

Famous Pony Hose for Children Black, white and tan in several good weights; full fashioned feet. 35c to 55c pair.

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Each year ivory sets are being made more attractive until this year we don't believe any improvement could be added. French Ivory Hand Mirrors, bevel edge, \$2.98. French Ivory Hairbrushes, superior bristles, \$1.98. French Ivory Combs, half fine or all coarse, 50c. French Ivory Puff Boxes, \$1.98. French Ivory Hair Receivers, \$1.98. French Ivory Jewel Boxes, \$1.98. French Ivory Clothes Brushes, \$1.98. French Ivory Shoe Horns, 50c. French Ivory Files, 50c. French Ivory Hook, 50c. French Ivory Cuticle Knife, 50c. French Ivory Perfume Bottle, 98c. French Ivory Yarn Holder, \$1.25. French Ivory Witch Hazel or Bay Rum Bottles, \$1.50. French Ivory Military Brushes, pair, \$3.98.

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A New Importation of French Kid Gloves

Is worth while news today with good gloves so scarce. This latest arrival lot contains many excellent values in black, white and colors, some with contrasting welts to match the crocheted and three-row embroidered backs.

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Kayser's Chamoulette Gloves

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Slippers for Men

Come in many styles, some of which are exclusively Lansburgh & Bro. Made of various materials. Priced at 50c, 60c, 98c, \$1.19, \$1.75, \$2.00 to \$4.00.

Slippers for Women

Embracing a number of models not seen elsewhere. Priced at 50c, 60c, 98c, \$1.19, \$1.29, \$1.48 up to \$8.00.

Slippers for Children

Felt and leather styles, including the popular nursery rhyme patterns. Complete range of sizes. Priced at 98c, \$1.19, \$1.50 up to \$2.75.



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Thousands of Xmas Handkerchiefs

Just what you want for gift purposes. And please remember that all linen 'kerchiefs are getting scarcer every day.

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At 5c Each

Women's white or colored handkerchiefs with rolled edge. Women's white or colored hemstitched handkerchiefs. Women's white or colored handkerchiefs with embroidered corners. Women's handkerchiefs with mourning border. Women's handkerchiefs with colored centers and embroidered corners. Women's handkerchiefs with white or colored initial.

Handkerchiefs, At Each 12c

At 18c Each

Men's fine cambric plain or initialed handkerchiefs. Men's all-linen hemstitched handkerchiefs. Men's khaki hemstitched handkerchiefs. Women's all-linen handkerchiefs with embroidered corner. Women's shamrock or fine lawn handkerchiefs with white or colored designs.

Handkerchiefs, At Each 35c



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Xmas Blouses

Blouses of black peau de soie, taffeta, pussy willow or crepe de chine, in nicely tailored models. Trimmed with tucks and pleats, high or low necks. \$5.00 and \$5.95.

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Boys' Play Suits \$1.00 to \$3.98

Complete outfits, representing Soldiers, Indians, Cowboys and Boy Scouts.

Give the boy one of these for Xmas and it will please him.

Sizes from 4 to 16 years.

Priced, \$1.00 to \$3.98.

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Children's Xmas Wearables

Children always like to get new clothes. Nothing would please them more than at least one wearable present on Christmas morning.

Infants' hand-knit toques, 29c to 59c.

Children's toques of hand-knit or combed Angora. 59c and 79c.

Scarves for children and misses, in handsome colors or white with colored borders. \$1.50 and \$2.00 values at \$1.00.

Infants' hand-knit worsted leggings, in white or colors. \$1.25 to \$1.95.

Infants' and children's mittens, in white or colors. Sizes to 4 years. Special at 50c.

Infants' and children's awateers, in white or colors. Sizes to 6 years. \$1.50 to \$4.75.

Children's and misses' middie blouses. Sizes 8 to 22 years. \$1.25 to \$1.95.

Children's and misses' all wool flannel middies. \$4.50 and \$5.00.

Children's rain capes of rubberized anteen. Tan or blue. Plaid lined hood. Sizes 6 to 14 years. At \$2.50.

Children's serge dresses, sizes 8 to 14 years. At \$4.95.

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Both leather and velvet effects to select from.

Chiffon Velvet Handbags, beautifully lined and finished with tassels; fitted with purse and mirror; \$3.25.

New Flap Model Handbag, of black chiffon velvet. Flap studied with contrasting-colored beads; panter handle; fitted with purse and mirror; silk lined; \$12.45.

Bracelet Handbag, of blue or purple; engraved frame; fitted with purse and mirror; \$4.98.

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Xmas Linens

This may be your last opportunity to give linens as they are getting more scarce. It is almost impossible to find them on the market. Very fortunately, we have a fairly good supply—enough for all gift purposes for this Christmas.

2x2 Tablecloths, \$3.00 to \$15.00.

2x2 1/2 Tablecloths, \$4.50 to \$18.75.

2x3 Tablecloths, \$6.00 to \$22.50.

2 1/4 x 2 1/4 Tablecloths, \$8.00 to \$18.00.

2 1/2 x 2 1/2 Tablecloths, \$10 to \$25.00.

Napkins to match, per dozen, \$4.00 to \$25.00.

Hemstitched Huck Towels, per dozen, \$4.50 to \$24.

Hemmed Huck Towels, per dozen, \$1.75 to \$9.00.

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Don't Forget the Home Christmas Day

Give Something That Will Be Appreciated Throughout the Year

Below we mention two or three items from our fourth floor, but there are thousands of others. Just pay this floor a visit before completing your gift list.



Up to \$35, Axminster Rugs \$26.75

A large selection of heavy quality closely woven Axminster Rugs in an assortment of new designs and color combinations. Plenty of blues, rose and tans. Buy now and save many dollars over what you will pay for these same rugs later on.

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Sterling Silver Lorgnette Chains, \$2.98.

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